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SUBJECT: VICE FONMIN CHANG VISITS DAR ES SALAAM

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1. SUMMARY. ROK VICE FONMIN CHANG REPORTS HE HAS ASKED JAPANESE EMBASSY, RATHER THAN US, TO ASSIST HIM IN FIRST INSTANCE TO MAKE CONTACT WITH TANGOV OFFICIALS. CHANG VISIT TANZANIA PART ROK EFFORT TO SEEK BETTER UNDERSTANDING ITS VIEWS IN COUNTRIES OF SOCIALIST NON-ALIGNED WORLD IN EFFORT TO FORESTALL THOSE COUNTRIES FROM VOTING AT UN TO WITHDRAW UN COMMAND FROM ROK. EFFORRT NOT RPT NOT VERY SUCCESSFUL YET AND THEREFORE ROK CONSIDERING TRYING TO COUNTER NORTH KOREANS BY OPENING COMPARABLE OFFICES WHEREVER KOREANS HAVE REPRESENTATION.
END SUMMARY.

2. AS ALERTED REFTELS, ROK VICE FONMIN SANG MOON CHANGE REQUESTED CALL AT EMBASSY ON AUGUST 15. APPOINTMENT MADE FOR DCM TO MEET
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WITH CHANG IN LIEU AMBASSADOR, WHO WAS SCHEDULED ACCOMPANY CONGRESS-

MAN BINGHAM ON CALL ON PRESIDENT NYERERE WHEN CHANG WISHED TO STOP AT EMBASSY.

3. CHANG TOLD DCM HE ARRIVED DAR AUGUST 14 AND MET THAT DAY WITH JAPANESE AMBASSADOR NOBOYUKI NAKASHIMA, WHO OFFERED MAKE APPROACH ON BEHALF CHANG TO TANZANIAN FONMIN OFFICIALS TO MEET INFORMALLY WITH HIM. LEVEL AT WHICH HE MAY BE RECEIVED BY TANZANIAN OFFICIALDOM OF CONCERN, I.E. CHANG HOPES TO BE RECEIVED BY FONMIN MALECELA, OR BY VICE FONMIN SEPETU OR PRINCIPAL SECRETARY NYAKYI. HE BELIEVES FORMAL REPRESENTATION BY US ON HIS BEHALF AT THIS TIME PROBABLY NOT HELPFUL. BUT IF HIS OWN APPROACH WITH ASSIST FROM JAPANESE FAILS, THEN HE WOULD SEEK OUR HELP. HE WOULD REQUEST THAT, IF AN OCCASION SHOULD ARISE IN WHICH WE BELIEVED WE COULD PROFIT-ABLY MENTION TO FONMIN MALECELA OR OTHER KEY FONMIN OFFICIAL THAT ROK VICE MINISTER IN DAR AND HOPEFUL OF BEING RECEIVED INFORMALLY BY SENIOR TANZANIAN OFFICIAL, WE DO SO. CHANG ASSURED IF SUCH OCCASION PRESENTED ITSELF, WE WOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT AND INFORM HIM RESULT.

4. PURPOSE VISIT TO TANZANIA, AS WELL ELSEWHERE IN AFRICA, CHANG SAID, IS EFFORT TO GET BETTER HEARING FOR ROK SITUATION IN SOCIALIST NON-SIGNED WORLD. ROK FEARS UN WILL VOTE TO WITHDRAW FROM ROK UN COMMAND, WHICH, ADMITTEDLY, ESSENTIALLY COMPOSED US TROOPS. WHILE FREE WORLD NATIONS GENERALLY SYMPATHETIC ROK POSITION, AT PRESENT THIRD WORLD ON WHOLE IS NOT AND IN UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY THIRD WORLD NATIONS CAN OUT-VOTE FREE WORLD. THEREFORE, ROK JUDGES IT WILL LOSE ANY VOTE IN UN ASSEMBLY AND IT NOT LIKELY THAT MEMBER OF SECURITY COUNCIL WILL USE VETO TO KEEP UN COMMAND IN ROK. AS RESULT, ROK TRYING TO COUNTER NORTH KOREAN EFFORTS AND TO HOPEFULLY LINE UP SOME FRIENDS IN THIRD WORLD IN FACE IMPENDING UN DISCUSSION AND VOTE. ROK EFFORT NOT RPT NOT GOING WELL SO FAR. THEREFORE, ROK CONSIDERING OPENING OFFICES WHEREVER NORTH KOREA HAS REPRESENTATION. ONE OF FEW SUCCESSES IS RECENT AGREEMENT TO OPEN ROK OFFICE IN KHARTOUM.

5. WHEN DISCUSSING UN COMMAND IN ROK WITH OFFICIALS AFRICAN STATES, THEY BLUNTLY ASK WHY ROK WANTS FOREIGN TROOPS STATIONED IN ITS COUNTRY. CHANG SAID WITH SIGH THAT AFRICANS ARE VERY NAIVE ABOUT SITUATION IN ASIA.

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